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LITTLE NURSE.

Marie has been acting the dearest little nurse during the last week. Uncle Fred was out horse-back riding three or four days ago, when his horse got frightened and threw him off. He was not hurt seriously, still his leg and arm got pretty badly bruised so there has been nothing for him to do all week but sit propped up in a big easy chair and have his meals brought to him. Uncle Fred says he rather likes having his meals on a little tray, and he thinks to have them brought by Marie whom he calls his little nurse is the nicest part of it.



SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS, THIRD QUARTER.

LESSON 13.] THE DUTY OF WATCHFULNESS. [SIP. 23.

Luke 12. 35-46.

GOLDEN TEXT—Watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation.—Matt. 26-41.

MEMORY VERSES, 43-44.—Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

Of a truth I say unto you, that he will make him ruler over all that he hath.

To the folks at home: Please help the little ones to learn this lesson.

LESSON STORY.

Jesus used often to tell a short story which taught a great truth. The stories Jesus told are for us as truly as for those who heard him speak. This lesson is about servants. We are all servants, even the smallest of us. We serve something or somebody every day. No one in this world can be independent and live to himself. God wants each of us to serve Him. He has given us our mind and body and heart and all the things which make life good and pleasant. He is our King and because we do not see him we think we belong to ourselves. How foolish! He is coming some day to see how his servants are taking care of his goods. If we are good servants we shall be watching for him and all ready to welcome him when he comes.

LESSON QUESTIONS.

1. What did Jesus tell his disciples?

To watch.

2. What are we all like?

Servants.

3. When the master goes away what does he expect?

That the servant will watch.

4. What has been given us to take care of?

Our minds, bodies and hearts.

5. With which servant will Jesus be pleased?

With the faithful one.

6. What will be done with the bad servant?

He will be punished.

In all my work and all my play
I would be true to thee,
And when thou comest for thine own,
Dear Lord, remember me!



A KIND THOUGHT,

From a lady's porch, the other day, I saw a number of birds come down and alight on the edge of a large bucket of water by the well.

Some of them drank and then flew away, but others threw water over themselves and then sat there preening their feathers and chirping happily.

Then came two dogs, which took a drink and ran away. Afterwards I saw a cat come up to the bucket and then a chicken.

"Are all these pets of yours?" I asked.

"O, no," said the lady, "but we always keep that bucket well filled, and all the tired thirsty birds and animals in the neighbourhood come to it, and seem very thankful for a drink and a bath."

WHICH ROAD?

Suppose two lines of railroad ran between the same places. On one there is an accident every day, sometimes many accidents in a day, and the other has never lost a passenger. Even if it cost a good deal more money, would you not want to travel on the safe road? Now upon one of two roads every boy and girl must start out: the not-touching-liquor road, and the drinking-only-a-little road. One of these roads passes through a more and more sorry-looking country, and it has wrecked more people than we know numbers enough to count. No harm, but much good, has come to every passenger who has travelled the other road. Wouldn't it be foolish to choose the drinking-only-a-little road because sometimes a passenger gets safely over? And would you care to be that one safe passenger, and know that some one else chose that road because you did, and came to grief?

THE HAND-GLASS.



This is the first time wee Betty ever saw a hand-glass. Of course she has seen herself many times in an ordinary looking-glass, but to hold a mirror close to her face so as to see real near hereyes and nose and teeth strikes her as being a very funny and interesting thing.

BREAKING A WISH-BONE.

"Will you break this wish-bone with me, mamma?" said the little girl as she held up the well-dried bone of the fowl left from the dinner the day before.

Mamma broke the bone with her little daughter after they had both made their wishes in silence. The little girl got the wish.

"What was your wish, dear?" asked mamma.

"I don't like to tell," replied the little one.

"As long as you have the wish it does not matter if you tell it, dear."

With some hesitancy the child said: "I wish that papa would go to church with you to-night."

The mother was astonished. She supposed, of course, that the child had wished for something specially for herself. A short time before, in the child's presence, the mother had been asking her husband to go to church with her that evening, and he had slightly demurred. Lying on the couch in the next room, the father heard the conversation about the wish bone, and was much surprised at the wish his child had made as the mother was.

After the little girl had told her wish she said: "Now, mamma, we will see for sure if chicken wish-bone wishes come true."

The wish did come true. Papa went to church that night with mamma.